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REMARKS

Claims 2-7 are pending in the application. Claims 5-7 have been added. The present application has been remanded from the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for further consideration by the Examiner based on reversal of the finality of the 35 U.S.C. §102(e) rejections of Claims 2-4. Applicant also respectfully requests consideration of new Claims 5-7.

In addition, Applicant respectfully renews the request filed January 22, 2004 that the Examiner declare an interference between this application and U.S. Patent No. 6,542,602, which issued to Elazar on April 1, 2003. Should the Examiner deem a telephone conference to be beneficial in expediting declaration of the interference, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below. No fees in addition to those indicated are believed to be due at this time, however, should any additional fees be deemed required, please charge such fees therefor to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

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